Minutes of the Dodge County Highway Committee Meeting October 5, 2017

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting of the Dodge County Highway Committee was called to order by the Chairman at 8:30 a.m. on October 5, 2017, in the Dodge County Highway shop building located at 404 N. Main Street in Reeseville.

ROLL CALL: The following members were present – Harold Johnson, Jeffrey Caine, Jeff Berres, and Ed Nelson. Commissioner Brian Field was also present. Committee Member William Muche, County Administrator Jim Mielke, County Board Chairman Russell Kottke, and Patrol Superintendent Nate Minnig were present for part of the meeting.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Motion by Muche and seconded by Caine to approve the agenda as presented and allow the Chairman to go out of order as needed to efficiently conduct the meeting. Motion carried.

REVIEW MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 28, 2017: Minutes of September 28, 2017, were approved as submitted.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: There were no public comments.

STAFF REPORTS AND DEPARTMENT CONCERNS: Field gave an update on surplus equipment auction results.

A letter from the Commissioner to Ms. Vicki Keller of Knowles regarding her request for a jurisdictional transfer of Lomira Drive was read.

COMMITTEE REPORTS: There were no Committee reports.

PROJECT UPDATES: CTH S (STH 67 – CTH WS) is going well and should be completed by October 31, 2017.

CTH C (Jersey Road – USH 151) is also on schedule to be completed by October 31, 2017.

Dodge County Highway crews have been using the Mastic Melter to perform discretionary maintenance contract work for the Wisconsin Department of Transportation in Columbia and Dane Counties.

INFORM COMMITTEE OF BAD DEBT WRITE OFF: A summary of uncollectible debts was presented to the Committee for information only.

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ALTERNATE HIGHWAY FUNDING SOURCES: Several options for obtaining additional county highway project funds were discussed. There will be an item on a future agenda to discuss an advisory referendum addressing transportation funding.

STAFFING CONCERNS UPDATE: Field gave an update on several policy changes improving Highway Department employee work schedules.

JUNEAU PROPERTY PURCHASE UPDATE: The Committee reviewed the Juneau property boundaries and recent acquisition offers. No action was taken.

UNIFORM SIGNAGE COST ESTIMATE: A sign inventory and cost estimate for signage changes were reviewed. An action item for this proposal will be added to a future agenda.

REVIEW VOUCHER PAYMENTS: Vouchers payment registers were reviewed.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS: The following items will be added to an upcoming meeting agenda: Transportation funding advisory referendum option, symbol sign replacement options, Drainage District #1 project update, staffing concerns, and wage and compensation information.

NEXT COMMITTEE MEETING: The next Committee meeting will be at 8:30 a.m. on October 19, 2017, in the Juneau office.

FIELD REVIW: The Committee field reviewed the following: the intersection of STH 16/60 and CTH TT; CTH T Mud Creek Bridge replacement project; CTH BB (STH 19 – CTH I) condition inspection; Bobolink Road railroad bridge; CTH J (Reeseville – STH 26) condition inspection, and the Reeseville shop and grounds.

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting adjourned at 12:10 p.m.

Harold J. Johnson - Chairman

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